

**COVER SHEET FOR AMENDMENT OF
POST-TRAVEL SUBMISSION**

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Instructions: Use this form as a cover sheet for any paperwork you may need to submit to the Office of Public Records in order to make your Privately Sponsored Post-Travel Submission complete in accordance with Rule 35. Only complete this form if you need to submit an amendment to a post-travel filing you have already submitted.

SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS IN 232 HART BUILDING

Name of Traveler: Senator Deb Fischer

Employing Office/Committee: Fischer

Private Sponsor(s) (List all): AEI

Travel Date(s): March 10-12, 2017

Description/Title of Attached Forms: PSTCF (final version); Itinerary (final version)

Purpose of Amendment (describe the reason for amending original submission): Amending with
OPR.

6/14/2017
(Date)

Deb Fischer
(Signature of Traveler)

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): The American Enterprise Institute
2. Description of the trip: World Forum: off the record public policy briefings
3. Dates of travel: March 10-12, 2017
4. Place of travel: Sea Island, GA
5. Name and title of Senate invitees: Sen. Deb Fischer, and please see attached invitee list.
6. I *certify* that the trip fits one of the following categories:
 - ☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.
 - OR -
 - ☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (*see question 9*).
7. ☒ I *certify* that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
 - AND -
 - ☒ I *certify* that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8. I *certify* that:
 - ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.
 - AND -
 - ☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (*see question 9*).

9. **USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B)**

I *certify* that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:

☐ (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip.

– OR –

☐ (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip (*see questions 6 and 10*).

– OR –

☐ (C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.

10. **USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B)**

If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:

11. ☒ An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I *certify* that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hour-by-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.

12. Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:

AEI organizes the trip and plans the agenda, while AEI scholars lead panel discussions on policy issues.

AEI is responsible for all the logistical aspects of getting the Senator to and from the conference.

13. Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:

AEI is a non-profit, tax-exempt, public policy research organization. The World Forum seeks to encourage frank and free-ranging conversations over a number of public policy issues important to today's world. AEI expects the Forum to inspire ideas that expand human dignity and human potential at home and abroad.

14. Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:

This is the 36th year of the World Forum. Each Forum, AEI invites a number of public officials to join the conversation. Members from both the House and the Senate regularly attend.

15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

AEI hosts around 250 public events each year. In addition to distributing other educational materials via online resources, including the AEI website and emails. These products cover a number of topics and seek to encourage the competition of ideas.

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith estimate	\$1428 (\$1008 airfare, \$420 ground transportation)	\$881.50 per 2 night stay. (\$440.75 per 1 night stay)	Max: \$125 for 6 meals. (\$25/meal, 6 meals)	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts				

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

This trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

The hotel is in close proximity to East Coast and easily accessible by multiple airports.

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

The Cloister at Sea Island.

100 Cloister Drive, Sea Island, Georgia 31561

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

The hotel is in close proximity to East Coast and easily accessible by multiple airports.

21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

Please see attached.

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

Commercial air travel - Economy (coach class)

23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

N/A

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (You must include the completed signature block below for each travel sponsor.):

Signature of Travel Sponsor: _____

Name and Title: Jessica Browning, Director of Conferences

Name of Organization: The American Enterprise Institute

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AEI WORLD FORUM, March 9-12, Sea Island, Georgia

ADDENDUM: Question 21:

The lodging cost per day (\$440.75/night) is higher than the per diem rate of the area. Senate participants will be placed in standard rooms. Since this is a large conference, this was the lowest cost and closest to the per diem rate that AEI could secure, given the hotel's prices. The cost of meals (\$25/meal) reflects the catering cost charged to AEI by the hotel. Alcohol is not included. This trip was arranged without regard to congressional participation, and we verify that no special treatment was given to members in either lodging or food.

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Thursday, March 9

All Day	Registration	The Cloister
6:00–7:00 p.m.	Reception	The Beach Club
6:30–6:45 p.m.	Introduction Tully Friedman	
	Welcome Arthur Brooks	
7:15–8:15 p.m.	Dinner	
8:30–9:30 p.m.	Starlight Chats	The Cloister
	Please select one from the options below:	
	Happiness Is Not Enough: Why a Joyful Life Is Better	
	David Brooks	
	Introduction: Charles Murray	
	History Is Back—and This Time It's Personal	
	Jonah Goldberg	
	Introduction: Ramesh Ponnuru	

Friday, March 10

Shuttles will run between the Cloister, Beach Club, and Ocean Villas every day between 6:45 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.
For pickup from your room, dial x5701.

7:30–8:30 a.m.	Early Bird Breakfasts	The Cloister
	Please select one from the options below:	
	Results-Driven Charity: How to Empower the Most Vulnerable Among Us	
	John Arnold	
	Laura Arnold	
	George Roberts	
	Robert Doar (moderator)	
	A Conversation About How to Cover Politics	
	James Bennet	
	Paul Gigot	
	Introduction: Bill Kristol	
8:45–10:15 a.m.	Breakout Sessions	The Cloister
	Please select one from the options below:	
	Islamism: ISIS, al Qaeda, and the Grip of Extremism on the Muslim Mind	
	Yousef Al Otaiba	Even as we fight ISIS, al Qaeda and associated groups are spreading.
	Shadi Hamid	Where are they? And what explains the grip these Islamist extremists
	Bruce Hoffman	have on the peoples of the Middle East? Is it Islam or something deeper?
	Graeme Wood	
	Frederick Kagan (moderator)	
	Making Incomes Grow Again	
	Martin Feldstein	Overall economic growth is slow, along with household income growth.
	Jason Furman	The mysterious decline in productivity growth is a major threat to long-
	Glenn Hubbard	term prosperity. The Fed has taken extraordinary measures to help the
	Gene Sperling	economy, but the effectiveness of monetary policy remains in doubt. What
	Kevin Warsh	is the cause of this malaise? Can Congress speed up productivity and
	Mark Zandi	income growth? Is monetary policy tapped out—or, even worse, counter-
	James Pethokoukis (moderator)	productive? Is slow growth a reality of the 21st century that policy cannot
		effectively address, or can policy put the economy on a better course?

As of February 27, 2017

8:45–10:15 a.m.

Russian Information Warfare: The Weaponization of Fake News and Hacks

Conversation: Leon Aron and Mikhail Khodorkovsky

Scott Carpenter

Michael Hayden

Andrei Soldatov

Leon Aron (moderator)

Russian interference in the US presidential election illustrated that hacks and fake news can erode the legitimacy of Western democracies and undermine the post-WWII world order. How potent are the Kremlin's cyber tools? How can the US and its allies deter future cyberattacks and meddling in their internal politics? Mikhail Khodorkovsky, Russia's most famous political prisoner and founder of Open Russia, will open the discussion with his insights on the Putin regime.

Success Without College

Doug Ducey

Eric Greitens

Michael Strain

Andrew Smarick (moderator)

Why do we insist that all young people go to college when so many promising career paths do not require a four-year degree? We have saddled millions of young adults with college debt to pay for an education the market does not reward. This panel will rethink our approach to technical and other skills-based models of education and offer new ideas for reforming higher education into a dynamic system that offers more Americans promising professional options.

10:30 a.m.–Noon

General Session

The Cloister Ballroom

The New Populism: At Home and Abroad

Debate: David Brooks vs. Michael Gove

Robert Barro

John Bolton

Phil Gramm

George Osborne

Gene Sperling

Stan Veuger

Danielle Pletka and Michael Strain (moderators)

A new era of populism is sweeping the globe. Why? Is this good news? Bad news? What are the economic, diplomatic, and societal consequences? Is this an anomaly or the new normal? Where will we see the next populist revolt?

12:15–1:45 p.m.

Luncheon

The Beach Club

A Conversation with Mark Zuckerberg

Interviewer: Arthur Brooks

2:00–3:15 p.m.

Afternoon Sessions

The Cloister

Please select one from the options below:

A Conversation with Eric Schmidt

Interviewer: James Bennet

Automation, machine learning, and artificial intelligence offer exciting frontiers for improving the human experience—and have the potential to upend the labor market and dislocate millions of workers. How is technology remaking the world of work?

Trade, China, and the Outlook for Trump Administration Policy:

A Conversation with Peter Navarro and Derek Scissors Moderated by Dan Blumenthal

Donald Trump pledged to dramatically transform US trade policy as part of revitalizing American manufacturing. Much of the debate about this shift in strategy has centered on China. Is the trade deficit with China detrimental to the US economy? Is Chinese currency manipulation a concern? More generally, how will the Trump administration approach China, a security competitor and key trading partner?

5:00–5:30 p.m.

Reception

Black Banks Terrace, The Cloister

5:30–6:30 p.m.

Dinner Conversation

The Cloister

A Conversation with Michael R. Bloomberg

Interviewer: Robert Doar

6:45–8:15 p.m.

Dinner

8:30–9:30 p.m.

Starlight Chats

The Cloister

Please select one from the options below:

Feeling Good vs. Doing Good: How Not to Waste Trillions to Make the World Better

Bjorn Lomborg

Introduction: Marc Thiessen

The Existential Challenge Facing America's Elites

Charles Murray

Introduction: George Will

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Saturday, March 11

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7:30–8:30 a.m.

Early Bird Breakfasts

The Cloister

Please select one from the options below:

A Conversation with Jamie Dimon

Interviewer: Arthur Brooks

What the Nation Misses When Conservatism Is Missing

George Will

Introduction: Mitch McConnell

8:45–10:15 a.m.

Breakout Sessions

The Cloister

Please select one from the options below:

Congress and the States: Policy Challenges at Home

Susan Collins

John Delaney

Virginia Foxx

Cathy McMorris Rodgers

Jimmy Panetta

David Perdue

Scott Walker

Ryan Streeter (moderator)

Better domestic policy is needed to tackle America's complex challenges. Transportation, infrastructure development, education, and care for the disabled are just a few. In an era of globalization and technological change, how can we ensure our domestic workforce is prepared and able to thrive? How can Congress and the president make the economy work again for average Americans and create more opportunity for all? Join us for a discussion with elected leaders to learn what is happening in Congress and the states on these important issues.

The Future of Dodd-Frank and Financial Regulation

Jeb Hensarling

Glenn Hubbard

Larry Lindsey

George Osborne

Peter Wallison

Kevin Hassett (moderator)

The Trump administration has taken steps to roll back Obama-era financial regulations, including a measure aimed directly at the Dodd-Frank Act. What is the future of Dodd-Frank? And of financial regulation on the whole?

Is America's Foreign Policy in Crisis?

Liz Cheney

Joni Ernst

Mike Gallagher

Adam Kinzinger

Seth Moulton

Devin Nunes

Marco Rubio

Mac Thornberry

Jon Kyl (moderator)

The postwar international order is deteriorating rapidly, and America's will and capabilities have been called into question by allies and adversaries alike. How will the Trump administration and Congress rebuild the military and repair America's alliances? Can America pursue an "America first" foreign policy while continuing to lead the world toward greater freedom and safety? Will it?

8:45–10:15 a.m.

Policies for Disruption: The Innovation Economy

Michael Burgess
 Deb Fischer
 Cory Gardner
 Kevin McCarthy
 Fred Upton
 James Pethokoukis (moderator)

We stand at the threshold of a technological revolution. Driverless cars seem to be in reach, new technologies hold the promise of revolutionizing medical care, and Silicon Valley has become synonymous with disruptive, welfare-improving innovation. But there are perils, as well as promise. Cyber threats loom large in the policy debate, and securing personal data is a major challenge for America's companies. Protecting critical infrastructure, including the US financial system, has become a major focus of government. How should public policy meet today's technological advances, ensuring their promise while mitigating their risks?

10:30 a.m.–Noon

General Session
The Cloister Ballroom
America's Immigration Moment

Doug Ducey
 Nick Eberstadt
 Danielle Pletka
 Ramesh Ponnuru
 Mark Zandi
 John Dickerson (moderator)

The topic of immigration divided the American public in multiple ways during the 2016 election. Recent events have made the issue only more volatile. One thing that most can agree on is that our immigration policy is not what it should be. Are low-skilled immigrants depressing wages for American workers, and what should we do? Would more high-skilled immigrants increase economic opportunity for more American workers? What do we need to do about the border and sanctuary cities if we are to be a nation of laws when it comes to immigration? If immigrants pose a threat to national security, is the current administration's approach the right one? Participants will discuss these and related issues in an interactive setting with the panelists and moderator.

12:15–1:45 p.m.

Luncheon
The Beach Club
A Conversation with President George W. Bush

Moderator: Arthur Brooks

2:00–3:15 p.m.

Breakout Sessions
The Cloister

Please select one from the options below:

The Future of Warfare

H. R. McMaster
 T. Michael Moseley
 William Roper
 Eric Schmidt
 Mackenzie Eaglen (moderator)

What once seemed like science fiction looks increasingly more like mere science. But the US government no longer has a lock on innovation as it did from the 1940s through the 1980s. As a result, across all domains of fighting and between the commercial and military sectors, innovation is happening at lightning speed. And you do not know about most of it.

Life Beyond Bars

Lisa Blunt Rochester
 John Cornyn
 Mike Lee
 Daniel S. Loeb
 Stan Veuger
 Gerard Robinson (moderator)

This year, more than 600,000 individuals will leave prison and return to communities across America. Almost one-third will be rearrested in their first year out, more than three-quarters in five years. But the nation's recidivism problem starts well before prisoners leave prison. Many of the 2.3 million behind bars today lack a high school diploma. Even fewer have a postsecondary degree or occupational certificate. They are more familiar with navigating the criminal justice system than the world of work and achievement. This panel will look at what works to improve economic prospects for returning citizens and the well-being of the families waiting for their return.

Escaping Poverty

Angus Deaton
 Robert Doar
 Deidre McCloskey
 Michael Strain
 James Pethokoukis (moderator)

The most successful effort to alleviate poverty in human history has been underway slowly, over centuries. This effort is not a government program or charitable mission. It is, instead, the liberalization of markets spurred by culture. How did Europe lift itself up from poverty centuries ago? How are China, India, and Africa lifting themselves up from poverty today? By what process is sustainable, long-term wealth and enrichment created? And what lessons can we learn from this to apply to public policy in America today?

2:00–3:15 p.m.	President Trump and the Future of Economic Policy	
	Scott Gottlieb Kevin Hassett Paul Ryan Gene Sperling Greg Walden Ramesh Ponnuru (moderator)	President Trump has promised sweeping changes to US economic policy. How are those changes progressing? Now that the president is in office, what does the future hold for the Affordable Care Act's replacement and tax reform? Hear from key members of Congress.
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6:00–7:00 p.m.	Dinner Conversation	The Cloister
	A Conversation with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and Speaker of the House Paul Ryan	
	Moderator: Paul Gigot	
7:15–8:45 p.m.	Dinner	
9:00–10:00 p.m.	Starlight Chat	The Cloister Ballroom
	Life Lessons from the World's Greatest Composers	
	Arthur Brooks Introduction: Daniel A. D'Aniello	

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Sunday, March 12

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8:30–10:00 a.m.	Early Bird Breakfasts	
	Please select one from the options below:	
	A Conversation with Secretary Elaine Chao	
	Interviewer: Marc Thiessen	
	The Future of the Court	
	John Cornyn Jeff Flake Lindsey Graham Ben Sasse Ramesh Ponnuru (moderator)	Procedural questions in the Senate have created turmoil around Supreme Court confirmations. In President Obama's last year in office, the Senate did not confirm his final nominee. In his first month in office, President Trump has nominated a jurist in Neil Gorsuch who many conservatives believe is a worthy successor to the late Justice Scalia. Given the new confirmation environment, what is the future of the Court? And what should we expect from President Trump's future nominations to the federal bench?